

Amendments to the claims:

1. (currently amended) A digital electronic method for increasing the calculation accuracy in non-linear functions, comprising the steps of:

inputting, for processing, into a first multiplexing device of an electronic data processing device with $2^F = f$ inputs, each with m locations, a value of a generally non-linear function which is present as a number and which serves as an input word together with a respective coded control word f having the input format

$$EF_f = S \text{ } \ddot{U}1_f M_f A1_f$$

with the point being at an undetermined location, wherein S represents the plus or minus sign, $\ddot{U}1_f$ the locations with the highest values ~~which likely can never be used~~ are used only in case of overflow, M_f the locations with the uniform width m and $A1_f$ the locations with the lowest value, which ~~cannot be~~ are not used, and the index " f " is the coded control word of the length F ,

transforming said value ~~is transformed~~ in the data processing device to an intermediate format

~~$$ZF = S \text{ } \ddot{U}Z_e A2_e$$~~

$$ZF = s \text{ } \ddot{U}2_c B_c A2_c$$

with ~~($m=1$)~~ ($m+1$) locations and a fixed point location, (fixed point representation) wherein the locations $\ddot{U}1_f$ and $\ddot{U}2_c$, that is the locations 2_c of the overflow block \ddot{U} , are checked in an overflow device for overflow and which, upon occurrence of a fixed location, ~~is~~ are capable of generating an alarm, and wherein the lower value locations $A1_f$ and $A2_e$ $A2_c$ are cut off in an electronic cut-off device (A),

dividing the number range which is represented at the output of the first multiplex device by the intermediate format ZF into C intervals of partially different sizes which cover the whole number range of ZF without overlapping and without gaps, and dividing the intermediate format ZF into a range K_c for coding and a range G_c of low value locations ~~wherein both ranges may overlap~~.

2. (currently amended) A digital electronic system for increasing the calculation accuracy in non-linear functions, comprising:

a first multiplexing device (M1) with 2^F inputs for inputting arbitrary input formats (which ~~can be~~ are numbered) with a certain word width m and having a fixed point at different locations,

a further coded control input by way of which the numbered input formats EF_f ~~can be~~ are addressed,

an output with a uniform intermediate format ZF also of predetermined word width wherein the fixed point is only at a predetermined location,

an overflow device (Ü) for receiving the highest value locations $\underline{Ü1}_f$ of the input format EF_f ~~which are likely never set and also to which~~ the higher value locations $\underline{Ü2}_c$ of the intermediate word ZF_m at the multiplexing device ($M1$) which must be checked for overflow are added and which are interrogated for locations different from zero in order to provide an alarm if set locations are found,

a coding device K , in which a coding range K_c is generated from the partial range B_c to be coded of the intermediate format ZF_m ,

a cut-off device (A) in which the lowest value locations $A1_f$ and the low value locations $A2_c$ are eliminated from further processing, and

a second multiplexing device M2 in which the coded range SK_c which is provided with a sign and the attached uncoded range G_c of the low value locations in the intermediate format ZF are transformed into a predetermined output format AF.

3. (original) A digital electronic system according to claim 2, wherein said overflow device, said coding device and said cutoff device consist of logic components.

4. (original) A digital electronic system according to claim 3, wherein said system includes one of a specific chip and a specific set of chips.

5. (new) A method according to claim 1, comprising the following additional steps: performing the coding K_c in an electronic coding device (K) from a partial coding range B_c , attaching the lower value locations G_c to the coding SK_c , and performing in a second multiplexing device (M2) with C inputs of the width of the output format AF electronically the transformation $K_c G_c \rightarrow KG$, whereby a uniform output formal AF = SK is provided.